



SOUTHERN BIBLE INSTITUTE



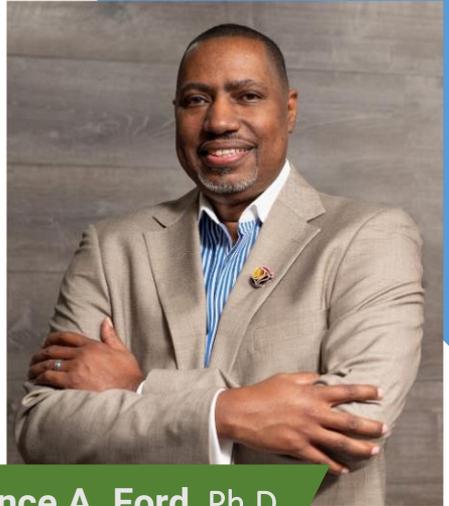
# SOUTHERN BIBLE

INSTITUTE & COLLEGE

*Equipping Servant Leaders*

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## President & CEO



Terrance A. Ford, Ph.D.

What a blessed and exciting season this is for Southern Bible Institute & College. Through His faithfulness, the LORD has been doing exceedingly abundantly above all that we've asked or imagined! Doors are being opened, ways are being paved, and we'd love nothing more than to have you as a partner on this journey. The next few pages highlight information that we believe reveal that many of our College's initiatives and goals align with your interests. After prayerfully reviewing this information, the ask is simple: *Will to join us in equipping servant leaders for the glory of our God?* My earnest prayer is that you will!

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## Why We MATTER

Southern Bible Institute & College (SBIC) is a non-denominational biblical higher education institution in Dallas, Texas. Our mission is: *Equipping men and women to be competent servant leaders with a Bible-centered worldview.*

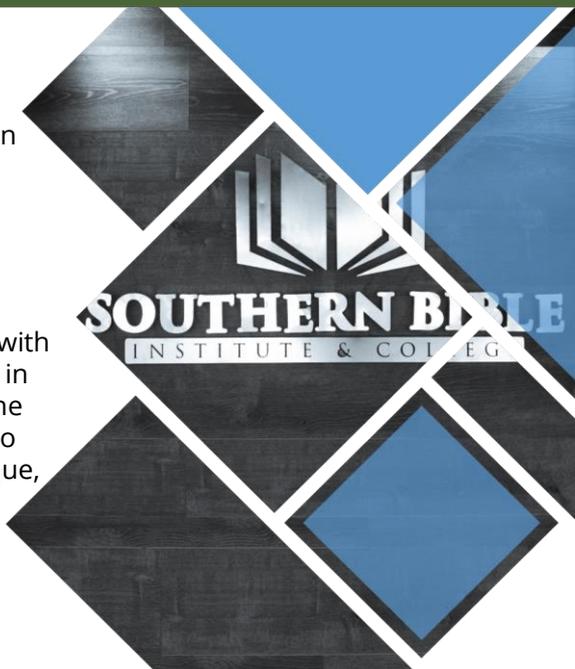
For more than 95 years, Southern Bible has been making an impact with students, on the local church, and in the community. This has been done through our strong commitment to provide an experience that is unique, right-fitting, and relevant.

A few of our distinguishing characteristics that answer the question, "Why we matter?"

We are **culturally significant** by providing a quality Bible-centered college education—predominately to African-American and other ethnicities called to serve and work in a diversity of contexts with a grafting of their Christian faith.

We are **equipping present and future Christian leaders** for an increasingly un-churched society. SBIC is uniquely qualified to offer quality, affordable undergraduate education for church leaders as well as non-traditional and traditional college-aged *leaders-in-the-making* to serve our churches, marketplaces, and communities.

We are influential as a **small College** making a **large impact**. Growing the student population is a key strategic institutional initiative of SBIC. However, our College embraces the benefits of being right-sized for hands-on mentoring and direct student support.



# What We Offer

## Initial Accreditation

February 2023, SBIC is excitedly anticipating receiving—for the first time in our 95 year history—national accreditation with the Association for Biblical Higher Education (ABHE). Having US Department of Education recognized accreditation provides opportunity for easier transferability for our students and their course work, access to federal funding, and heightened credibility as a college.



## Diplomas, Certificates, and Degrees



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Through **the Institute**, SBIC continues to serve its traditional constituency of students with a passion to learn the Word of God, though not at a collegiate level of academia. The Institute houses the Diploma, Bridge Studies, and Continuing Education programs.

Under **the College** are the ministry/professional development Certificate and Degree programs. These programs have markedly more rigorous standards for admission, heavier workload (academic rigor) for students, and higher program costs.

## Credentials Offered:

- **Associates of Science Degree**
  - *Biblical Studies*
- **Associates of Arts Degree**
  - *General Education*
- **Bachelor of Science Degree**
  - *Biblical Studies*
- **Bachelor of Arts Degree**
  - *Biblical Theological Studies*
- **Certificate**
  - *Biblical Counseling*
  - *Bible Exposition*
  - *Digital Ministry*
  - *Pastoral Ministry Leadership*
  - *Women's Ministry Leadership*
  - *Worship Leadership*
- **Diploma**
  - *Biblical Studies*

## What We Offer continued

### New Offerings Underway

**Daniel Scholars** program provides nurturing support for traditional students 18 - 25 (males and females), while earning their Associates of Arts degree. These students are mentored, less burdened financially, and better prepared for upper level college rigor after completing their first two years of college.

**Hyflex (Online) Distant Education** is our online course delivery model. This modality allows distant students to receive a quality and engaging SBIC education through real-time interaction with in-person students. In addition, this model well accommodates students with busy/fluctuating work/life schedules.

### Church Planting & Revitalization Tracks

A reinvigoration of the Pastoral Ministry Leadership program will now include concentration options for church planting and church revitalization. These revisions are being enacted in cooperation with several church planting/revitalization organizations allowing students to be properly equipped for either context of congregational leadership.

### Center for Servant Leadership

The Center exists to promote and provide Bible-centered servant leadership activities between the College, the community, and especially the local church. Although being a bridge between academia and hands-on ministry is important, the success of the Center for Servant Leadership relies heavily on churches, community groups, their leaders and members utilizing the services of the Center.



# Pastors & Churches Network

The **Pastors/Churches Network** is the primary communication pipeline between the College and local churches. More specifically it is the partnership and contact apparatus between the President & network senior/lead pastors.

Subsequently, pastors and churches partner with Southern Bible through intentional promotion, participation, and provision.

## Promoting SBIC

Network Pastors/Churches are asked to assist in the promotion and marketing of the College within their congregation and relevant associated circles. Two ways Network members may promote the College are:

1. **Share SBIC's short promotional video** periodically—usually prior to the start of the semester—on the church's announcement platforms including social media.
2. **Select a *Southern Bible Sunday***—any Sunday in November, February, or July—specifically for your congregation. This Sunday would be a day to directly promote and allow recruitment efforts of SBIC during regular time(s) of worship. It is also a time for SBIC to thank and celebrate the congregation's support of the college.
3. **Designate point person(s)** to whom demographic specific information may be channeled. Recognizing the mountainous amount of responsibilities senior/lead pastors have, we believe it wise to funnel non-pastoral essential materials to others if he so chooses. Hence, contact information for point person(s) in the following areas are requested:
  - Youth and Young Adults (ages 18-25)
  - Ministry Leadership Education/Training
  - SBIC Alumnior
  - One Single Point Person for ALL Areas

# Pastors & Churches Network continued

## Participating with SBIC

Senior/Lead pastors of this Network are positioned to be significant influencers on the College. There is frequent opportunity for them to directly engage in the advancement of the College. Two instances for impact are by:

1. **Serving as a key focus group** on major strategic/directional decisions
2. **Collaborating with faculty and academicians** on College supported projects and scholarly events



## Providing for SBIC

A key component of this Network model is that each participating Pastor/Church will be a committed and consistent vessel of God's financial provision for Southern Bible. **Pastors/Churches are expected to support at whatever investment/gift level they are able.** *Please see the "Investing in Biblical Higher Education" information sheet for ways to financially support SBIC.*

## Benefits of Network Partnership

Senior/Lead Pastors of the Network are also beneficiaries of a few privileges and accesses. Among them, Network senior/lead pastors receive:

1. **Special scholarly and ministry material** designed especially for pastors
2. **Direct video and digital communications from the President**, exclusively for key stakeholders
3. **Complimentary or discounted registration** for conferences and events of the College

## Ready to join SBIC's Pastors & Churches Network?

*To join the Pastors & Churches Network or for more information, email us at:*

**[presidentsoffice@southernbible.org](mailto:presidentsoffice@southernbible.org)**

# Investment in Biblical Higher Education

## Why Invest in Bible-centered Education

SBIC holds high value in its administration, faculty, academics, finances, and the institution as a whole. Accreditation validates that the College is meeting and/or exceeding the standards of quality education. Faithful investments and financial support in Southern Bible will continue to provide advantageous access to biblical higher education. Furthermore churches, ministries, communities, and marketplaces will have access to skilled workers with solid character and Bible-centered worldviews.

## Giving Financially to Bible-centered Education

Southern Bible relies on its close friends and partners for survival and success. This includes committed and consistent financial support. Three ways supporters are being asked to consider contributing:

### 1. Provide a *Stone* gift

'Stone' level donors (or donor groups) are asked to make a gift commitment of \$250,000 or more over a one to five year period. For example, you may choose to **BE a Stone** through a pledged gift of \$50,000 a year for five years. Or you may opt to help **BUILD a Stone** as one donor—in a group of up to 10 patrons—with perhaps a minimum commitment of \$5,000 per year for a five year period.

### 2. Give a Mid-Level Annual gift

Supporters at this level commit to give between \$1,200 and \$4,999 annually. This could be a once-a-year gift or multiple donations totaling the pledged amount.

### 3. Support with a Recurring gift

Friends and partners who are willing to give \$99 or less a month contribute to the annual fund through recurring gifts. These gifts help to steady the cash flow of income throughout the year.

## Ready to Invest in Southern Bible Institute & College?

*To set up your financial support or for more information on giving to SBIC, email Lakesha Grice (VP of Advancement) at:*

***lgrice@southernbible.org***



